GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
LAW AND JUSTICE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6345
ANSWERED ON:06.05.2005
INCREASE IN THE POSTS OF JUDGES
Kharventhan Shri Salarapatty Kuppusamy

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is long pending demand to increase the number of judges in Supreme Court, various High Courts and other lower courts;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken by the Government thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI K. VENKATAPATHY)

(a), (b) & (c) : As a result of a triennial review in the year 2003, 94 posts of Judges subject to concurrence of the respective State Governments have been approved in various High Courts as per Annexure.

As regards the Judge strength in the District and subordinate courts, the primary responsibility for taking necessary action for increasing the Judge strength vests with the respective State Governments.

Annexure

Sl.No.	Name of the Court	Proposed increase of Judge strength (subject to approval of State Government
1	2	3
1	Allahabad	
2	Andhra Pradesh	
3	Bombay	
4	Calcutta	13
5	Chhattisgarh	02
6	Delhi	03
7	Gauhati	08
8	Gujarat	
9	Himachal Pradesh	01
10	Jammu & Kashmir	
11	Jharkhand	
12	Karnataka	
13	Kerala	11
14	Madhya Pradesh	13
15	Madras	05
16	Orissa	11
17	Patna	12
18	Punjab & Haryana	13
19	Rajasthan	
20	Sikkim	
21	Uttaranchal	02
	Total	94